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## Claims

1. Method for pre-emphasizing an optical multiplex signal (OS) which features a number of signals with different wavelengths which are transmitted from a transmitter to a receiver, in which powers of the signals are set at the transmitter ( $P_{IN}(\lambda)$ ) and also measured at the receiver ( $P_{OUT}(\lambda)$ ,

## characterized in that

an average power ( $<P_{IN}>$ ) is determined for the send-side signals,

from the current powers of the signals at the transmitter  $(P_{IN}(\lambda) \text{ and at the receiver } P_{OUT}(\lambda) \text{ and the average power} \\ (<\!P_{IN}\!>\!) \text{ new signal values } (P_{IN}(\lambda)\_\text{new}) \text{ are determined and set} \\ \text{on the send side, such that at the receiver signal-to-noise} \\ \text{ratios of all signals are almost equalized.}$